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## PETITION TO WITHDRAW FROM ISSUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2)

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner to withdraw this application from issue in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2) so that a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement may be considered in a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 being filed concurrently herewith.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 23-3000 in the amount of \$770.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e), \$130.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h), and \$180.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p). If any additional fee is required to complete this communication, please charge Deposit Account No. 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

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